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TO : NEA - Mr. Rountree

DATE: October 28, 1957

FROM : NE - Stuart W. Rockwell

SUBJECT: Call on You by Saudi Counselor

Discussion:

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The Counselor of the Saudi Embassy, Mr. Saleh al-Shalfan, will call on you on October 28 at 2:30 p.m. He has asked to see you briefly to deliver letters from Crown Prince Faisal in reply to those addressed to the Prince by Mr. Herter (as Acting Secretary) and yourself on October 12 at the time of his recent serious abdominal operation. Copies of these two letters are attached. *not attached to file copy*

Mr. Shalfan was quite insistent that he should deliver these replies to you personally because he has apparently received instructions to do so from the Crown Prince himself. In this connection, we understand that Prince Faisal's operation was successful, that he is making a rapid recovery and that, as he told a recent American caller, "this is the first time I have been without pain for twenty years". The Crown Prince and his party are now scheduled to leave this country on November 19 on the SS Cristoforo Colombo.

Recommendations:

1. That you express your thanks to Mr. Shalfan for the personal delivery of the Crown Prince's replies.

2. That you inquire after Prince Faisal's current state of health and express the hope ~~that he will have an early and complete recovery.~~

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